

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested. By way of this amendment, claims 1-24 have been canceled, and new claims 25-36 have been added.

CONCLUSION

In view of above remarks, an early and favorable action on the merits of the subject application is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at number listed below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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